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SUBJECT: THREAT AGAINST U.S. EMBASSIES IN EASTERN EUROPE

REF: WARSAW 3304

1. POL COUNSELOR AND ADMIN OFFICER MET SEPARATELY WITH ZANTOVSKY (SIXTH DEPARTMENT) AND MOTOSEK (SPRAVJPSLUZEB) OF MFA MAY 17 TO CONVEY INFORMATION RE: POSSIBLE ACTION AGAINST U.S. EMBASSIES TRANSMITTED REFTEL. BOTH WERE APPRECIATIVE OF INFORMATION AND PROMISED TO PASS IT ON IMMEDIATELY TO SECURITY AUTHORITIES. ZANTOVSKY SAID HE WAS SURE ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES WOULD BE TAKEN AND THAT EMBASSY WOULD BE INFORMED AS TO THEIR NATURE. BOTH NOTED THAT INTERNAL SECURITY IS OF COURSE EMBASSY'S
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RESPONSIBILITY, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT WE WOULD BE TAKING

STEPS TO INCREASE THAT SECURITY.

2. INTERNALLY, WE HAVE ACTIVATED NEW MSG POST AT ENTRANCE TO CONSULAR SECTION. (THIS HAS BEEN PLANNED FOR SOME TIME.) ALL AMERICAN EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF SITUATION. WE HAVE ALSO INFORMED KEY LOCAL EMPLOYEES (RECEPTIONIST, P&C LIBRARIAN, ETC.) OF GENERAL NATURE OF THREAT, BUT IN AS LOW-KEY A MANNER AS POSSIBLE.

3. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, WE ARE ENTERING HEIGHT OF TOURIST SEASON HERE, AND EMBASSY AND ITS GROUNDS ARE STANDARD ATTRACTION. WE DO NOT THINK IT FEASIBLE BASED ON INFORMATION WE HAVE SO FAR RECEIVED TO ATTEMPT TO RESTRICT ACCESS. OUR PRESENT POSTURE, THEREFORE IS ONE OF BUSINESS ESSENTIALLY AS USUAL, BUT WITH INCREASED WATCHFULNESS BY ALL CONCERNED.
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